

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
LOK SABHA**

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UNEMPLOYED AND LANDLESS PEOPLE IN RURAL AREAS

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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether facilities and monetary compensation are not provided in time to the people rendered unemployed and landless as a result of which the rural people have to face lot of difficulties;
- (b) if so, the steps taken by the Government for the solution of said problem;
- (c) whether the Government has assessed the number of people so far rendered unemployed and landless;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, and
- (e) the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PLANNING, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES (DR. ASHWANI KUMAR)

(a): The question is not clear regarding the alleged source of landlessness and unemployment referred to. However, if it is because of project related displacement, they will come under National Rehabilitation and Resettlement Policy 2007 having one of its aim to minimize large scale displacement, as far as possible and acquisition of only the minimum area of land commensurate with the purpose of the project is to be acquired.

(b) to (e): The Government has on 7.09.2011 introduced in Parliament the Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Bill, 2011 to give the above policy legal backing. The Bill has comprehensive provisions for rehabilitation and resettlement of the affected families which inter-alia include housing units, Land for land, Annuity policies, Employment, Subsistence grant for displaced families, fishing rights and waiver on stamp duty and registration fee etc. Further, it has special provisions for Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes. The Bill has been referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Rural Development for examination and report to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Rural Development for examination & report to the Parliament by the Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha.